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SUBJECT: (C/NF) KUDOS CABLE FOR EMBASSY BUENOS AIRES

REF: A. BUENOS AIRES 000153
1B. BUENOS AIRES 000186

Classified By: SUZANNE MCCORMICK, DIR., INR/OPS. REASON: 1.4(C).

¶1. (S/NF) INR/B OFFICERS GREATLY APPRECIATED EMBASSY BUENOS AIRES' REPORTING ON KEY FIGURES IN THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT. INR/B OFFICERS WERE ABLE TO USE THIS INFORMATION IN FINISHED PRODUCTS FOR SENIOR POLICYMAKERS IN ADVANCE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT'S TRIP TO CHILE IN MARCH AND THE PRESIDENT'S TRIP TO TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO IN APRIL.

¶2. (C/NF) REF A PROVIDED A NICE EXAMPLE OF WHEN TAIANA HAS CRACKED A JOKE IN MEETINGS TO LIGHTEN THE MOOD.

¶3. (C/NF) REF B PROVIDED SPECIFIC INFORMATION ON TAIANA'S SUPPORT FOR THE MONTONEROS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON HIS ALLEGED PARTICIPATION IN THE BOMBING OF A BAR IN JULY 1975. INR/B OFFICERS WERE ALSO PLEASED TO SEE A REFERENCE TO TAIANA'S SEVERAL GRANDCHILDREN, WHICH THEY WERE ALSO ABLE TO INCLUDE IN THE PROFILE.

¶4. (S/NF) INR/B OFFICERS AGAIN THANK POST FOR ITS COMMITMENT TO BIOGRAPHIC REPORTING AND EMPHASIZE HOW REGULARLY OFFICERS USE THIS INFORMATION IN FINISHED PRODUCTION. MANY THANKS AND BEST REGARDS FROM WASHINGTON.
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